

CONGRESSMAN WALLY HERGER
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Service Academy Application Eligibility and Procedures

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS:

- U.S. Citizenship
- At least 17 years old by July 1st of entering year and not older than 23
- Unmarried, not pregnant, no dependants
- Resident of the State of California and the 2nd Congressional District
- SAT/ ACT Scores
- Must Pass academy physical requirements and medical examination
- Strong Moral Character

PROCEDURES:

1. **APPLICATION AND PHOTOGRAPH:** Complete and return the enclosed application to my Chico District Office. Be sure to include a *recent* photograph of yourself.
2. **HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT:** Candidates are responsible for providing my office with a complete and recent high school transcript (one that includes your entire junior year of high school is sufficient). If college courses have been taken, a transcript of these grades is also required.
3. **SAT OR ACT SCORES:** Candidates are responsible for reporting up-to-date SAT or ACT scores to my office. Copies of official scores or scores reported as part of an *official* high school transcript *are* acceptable. Students are encouraged to take the SAT or ACT (or both) as often as possible. Please check with school counselors for information regarding SAT/ACT tutorial classes or seminars. My SAT code is **4503**.
4. **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:** Candidates are required to submit THREE (3) letters of recommendation from any of the following: school official (Principal, Vice Principal, Counselor, Teacher, Coach, etc.). Pastors and Scoutmasters are also acceptable.
5. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Candidates are required to write a brief personal statement, which reflects his or her inspiration for applying to the Academies. Statements should be no more than three paragraphs in length.
6. **PRE-CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE:** In order for candidates to be entered into the pre-candidate program for their academy of choice, students must complete and submit the online pre-candidate questionnaire forms found on each of the following websites: www.usafa.edu, www.usmma.edu, www.usma.edu, and www.usna.edu.
7. **SCREENING COMMITTEE INTERVIEW:** Eligible candidates will interview with my Screening Committee in early December 2006. The Committee is composed of former military personnel and other leading citizens within my district. The recommendations of the Screening Committee weigh heavily in my selection process and I *strongly* encourage each candidate be present at that interview. However, if the candidate is unable to appear in person, telephone conference call arrangements will be arranged.

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF CANDIDATE'S FILE IS OCTOBER 31, 2006